

## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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July 7, 2010

IN REPLY REFER TO HDA-CA

Ms. Cynthia McKim, Director California Department of Transportation 1120 N Street Sacramento, California 94274-0001

Dear Ms. McKim:

SUBJECT: SBCAG 2009 Federal Transportation Improvement Program; Amendment #26

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has completed our review of the Santa Barbara Association of Governments (SBCAG) 2009 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Amendment #26, as requested by your letter of June 9, 2010.

We find SBCAG's FTIP Amendment #26 was developed based on a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process in accordance with 23 USC 134 & 135, 49 USC 5303-5305, and 23 CFR 450. California Department of Transportation assures this amendment has met the financial constraint requirements included in our transportation planning regulations, i.e. 23 CFR 450.324(e).

This letter constitutes acceptance of this amendment which deletes projects programmed with Jobs for Main Street (J4MS) funding and approval for increased funding for projects in Highway Bridge Program Lump Sum. Because no action was taken by the California Department of Transportation or the FHWA on SBCAG amendment #22, the deletion of J4MS funds in amendment #26 does not amend the FSTIP. However, the increased funding for projects in Highway Bridge Program Lump Sum in the SBCAG FTIP Amendment #26 is approved and included into California's 2009 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) with the understanding the eligibility of individual projects is subject to the applicant's satisfaction of all FHWA administrative requirements.

In accordance with the July 15, 2004, Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Federal Highway Administration, California Division and the Federal Transit Administration, Region IX, the FTA has concurred with the approval of this FTIP amendment. This approval is based on the California Department of Transportation's assurance that the funding for this amendment does not adversely impact the FSTIP Financial Plan.



If you have any questions regarding this approval, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Michelle Noch of the Los Angeles Metropolitan Office at (213) 202-3953.

Sincerely,

For

Walter C. Waidelich Division Administrator